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Think well of your neighbor, but do more than think.

War Prosperity for the Port of Philadelphia

THE European war would have been a terrible prescription for the rehabilitation of the port of Philadelphia. Instead it is a blind fact, unasked, but here. The figures on exports given out by the Custom House for the year ending June 30, as compared with those for the same period in 1913-14, are literally staggering.

The Balkan Drama Still On

THE Balkans keep their reputation for the unusual and the spectacular in the way of war and diplomacy. Just now they hold a position very close to the center of the stage; though, to continue the metaphor, their role is not settled. It may be war or peace, today or tomorrow, with one side or the other.

The Newest Cause of War

DR. ARMGARD KARL GRAVES, personal spy to the Kaiser, has made a discovery. He has located the cause of the war. From his newest book we learn that the clash was precipitated by an actress in Vienna, with the peculiarly appropriate first name of Kati.

The Invincible Gaul

"FRIVOLITY as usual!" doesn't happen to be the motto of Paris, but the lovers of the indomitable Gallic spirit may take comfort from the list of theatres now open in the capital. At the Comedie, "Gala Performance for the benefit of blind soldiers" so much was to be expected. But at the Gaite-Lyrique we have "The Master of the Sleeping Cars," which seems to be up to the ancient tradition. At the Vaudeville, "The New Anti-Boer" (or as England would say, "Anti-Hun" Review). At the Folies-Bergere, "Under the Flag," and so on, with vaudeville and symphony concerts.

Kansas Meant It

TOMATO catnap out in Kansas has quit being pumpkin mush with coloring matter. A pound of butter is a pound of butter, and the water is still in the well. Spices and by their own unaided efforts; and someone—Miss Parker Butler would say—has put in eight years the pure food law has really done something.

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E. H. CHERRINGTON, SALOON FIGHTER

The Organizing Genius of the Anti-Booze League Is a Young Man in the Thirties Who Is Confident of Victory in 1920.

By WILLIAM A. MCGARRY

A TALL, powerfully built man, with a youthful face, who looks like a college gradiron star, was one of the most important and at the same time most inconspicuous figures at the convention of the Anti-Saloon League, held last week in Atlantic City. He is Ernest H. Cherrington, of Westerville, O. In the list of officers the name of Cherrington appears as "General Manager of Publishing Interests." He is known primarily as the man who must be seen before anything important is done, the man to seek for information pertaining to the league and the activities of its enemies everywhere.

Now for a Convention Hall!

THE Chamber of Commerce has given Councils its chance. Its chance to bring the Republican National Convention here by acting promptly in September. Its chance to secure for Philadelphia a dozen more conventions like that of the National Tailors and Underwear Manufacturers' Association. Its chance to solidify Philadelphia's claim to the title of Convention City of America. Its chance to set Philadelphia still higher on the national horizon as an arbiter of history. But its chance, above all others, to take a stand at last for its own decency, to line up with the people's interests instead of its own, to put public service above petty political trafficking, to become in fact as well as in name the Councils of the city.

It Began to Fight in Ohio

His first position with the Anti-Saloon League was assistant superintendent for Ohio. In that office he displayed such marked ability that he was asked to organize for the league in the State of Washington, and one year later he went to the Pacific coast. He became superintendent in Washington and was recalled about eight years ago to Chicago, where he was put to work to get in touch with all the anti-saloon papers and to systematize the publicity work.

Jitney Results

EVERY day puts some new angle on the Jitney fight. The latest is the reduction of tax rates, to be put in effect September 1 by one of the companies operating metered vehicles. Hereafter it will be 10 cents for four blocks, or from one of the railroad stations to any of the principal hotels in the neighborhood of Broad street for a fifth of what it now costs by taxi. The prices for longer trips will come down 50 per cent.

War's Contribution to Our Education

WITH Europe's great playground fenced off, turned into a battlefield and banished to the legions of American tourists, what are the vast army of our school teachers doing to make their vacations profitable? Some are turning to a closer study of their own country and finding excitement in being held up by bandits in the Yellowstone Park. But the stoppage of the transatlantic tourist traffic has turned an unprecedented number into the summer schools of our great universities. There is hardly an institution of note in the country providing such vacation courses that has not experienced a greatly increased attendance, particularly of teachers.

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Just a Fort at First

The fortress was not an instrument of tyranny when it was first built in the 14th century to protect the palace of Charles V against the Burgundians, and it had become a comparatively harmless place when it was destroyed. Only seven prisoners were found in it and they were insignificant persons. It was in its middle period that there accumulated around it the tales of horror that made it stand in the imagination of the French for all the abuses of irresponsible rule. From a fortress it was changed into a prison for political prisoners in the 15th century.

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